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By the King,

A PROCLAMATION,

For encouraging Seamen to enter themſelves on board His Majeſty's Ships of War.

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WHereas it is our Royal Intention to give all due Encouragement to all ſuch Seamen, who ſhall voluntarily enter themſelves in our Service; We have thought fit, by and with the Advice of our Privy Council, to publiſh this our Royal Proclamation: and we do hereby promiſe and declare, That all ſuch able Seamen, not above the Age of Fifty two, nor under the Age of Twenty Years, fit for our Service, who ſhall on or before the Thirty firſt Day of October next, voluntarily enter themſelves to ſerve in our Royal Navy, either with the Captains or Lieutenants of our Ships, or the chief Officers on board ſuch Tenders, as ſhall be employed for raiſing Men for the Service of our Navy, ſhall receive, as our Royal Bounty, the Sum of Two Guineas each Man; and all ſuch ordinary Seamen, fit for our Service, who ſhall ſo enter themſelves, as aforeſaid, ſhall receive the Sum of Thirty Shillings each Man, as our Royal Bounty; ſuch reſpective Sums to be paid them by the reſpective Clerks of the Check, reſiding at the Ports or Places where the Ships into which they ſhall be entered ſhall be, immediately after the ſecond Muſter of ſuch Seamen: And we do hereby further promiſe and declare, That all ſuch Seamen, who ſhall ſo voluntarily enter themſelves, as aforeſaid, ſhall be aſſured of receiving ſix Months Pay, although there ſhould happen to be no Occaſion for their Service ſo long: And we do declare, That the Qualifications of the Seamen ſo entering themſelves, as aforeſaid, ſhall be certified by the Captain or chief Officer and Boatſwain of the Ship or Veſſel where they ſhall enter. And for Prevention of any Abuſes by any Perſons leaving the Veſſels to which they ſhall belong, and entering themſelves on board any other our Ships or Veſſels, in order to obtain the ſaid Bounty-Money; we do hereby declare and command, That ſuch Seamen belonging to any of our Ships or Veſſels, as ſhall abſent themſelves from any of the ſaid Ships or Veſſels to which they ſhall belong, and ſhall enter themſelves on board any other of our ſaid Ships or Veſſels, in order to obtain the ſaid Bounty, ſhall not only loſe the Wages due to them in the Ships or Veſſels they ſhall leave, but alſo be ſeverely puniſhed according to their Demerits.

Given at our Court at Kenſington the Twenty ſeventh Day of September, 1739, and in the Thirteenth Year of our Reign.

God ſave the King.

Vienna, Sept. 30. Letters which the Imperial Court received from Belgrade the 24th Inſtant brought an Account, that on the 18th a definitive Treaty of Peace between the Emperour and the Ottoman Porte, was ſigned by Count Neiperg on the Part of his Imperial Majeſty, and by the Grand Vizier on the Part of the Sultan, and by the French Ambaſſadour on the Part of the moſt Chriſtian King, as Mediator and Guarantee. The Articles of it are not yet divulged; but it is ſaid, that a Prolongation of nine Months for the Demolition of Belgrade is therein agreed. On the 19th the Grand Vizier (accompanied by the French Ambaſſadour) marched with the main Body of his Army, on his Return to Conſtantinople, taking with him the Imperial Hoſtages, a Colonel, a Major and four Captains, who are ſuppoſed to have been given for the Security of the 500 Turks that are to remain in Belgrade till it be entirely demoliſhed. A Treaty of Peace between the Ottoman Porte and the Empreſs of Ruſſia, was ſigned the ſame Day as was the other Treaty, viz. on the 18th, between her Miniſter in the Turkiſh Camp, and the Grand Vizier, under the Guaranty of France. The Articles are not yet made publick, but it is rumoured that Aſoph is to be demoliſhed, and then yielded to the Turks; and that the Ruſſians ſhall be at Liberty to build Forts in proper Places, to hinder the Junction of the Inhabitants of the two Tartaries, and thereby prevent their making Inroads as formerly into the Ruſſian Dominions. On the 24th and 26th Inſtant, Orders from the Emperour were diſpatched to Field-Marſhal